

The northwest section of Five Corners was homesteaded by a Mr. James Carter, who had a peach orchard on the side hill, raised sheep and had sheep sheds near the site of Lakeview Elementary School, S.W. 158<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> SW. Many fruit trees remained on the property for decades. Carter sold his land to Don McGuire, who in turn sold to Charlie Schoening--supposedly for \$100 an acre for the 160 acres. (10<sup>th</sup> Ave. S.W. was first known as Schoening Avenue, before the county replatted the streets). (Many Roads, p. 58, and Our Burien, p. 66)

Fred and Bill Dashley and Charles Schoening struck it rich together mining for gold in Alaska. When they returned to Seattle they wanted to invest their good fortune. One day while hunting, Shoening found a beautiful lake. He and the Dashley brothers soon returned and bought up the land around the lake from the Von Boorian family. At this time it was called Lake Burien after the Von Burians.

Bill, Fred and Charles each sub-divided and developed their portion. Fred owned most of "Old Burien" and part of the northeast portion of the lake and land extending north and east from the lake. In 1912 he built one of the first three houses on the lake at 1235 S.W. 152nd Street, where it still stood in 1994. Schoening owned east and some south portions of the lake. He built a hunting lodge and raised sheep, cows and lots of pigs, which he sold wholesale at his meat market at Second Avenue and James Street, the present site of the Smith Tower.

The lovely, well preserved hunting lodge is also standing today at 11th S.W. and S.W. 154th. Though his recollections of Schoening are hazy, Robert Lynch's father vividly recalls and was very impressed by the brown bear chained to the hunting lodge and the full set of gold teeth framed by the smile of his wife. (Robert Lynch oral history, as told to Robbie Howell, Dec. 7, 1997, posted on the internet by Rob Ketcherside)

Lakeview School was built on an "inadequate site of 4.7 acres . . . all that was available in this well settled area. It opened in 1955. Eight classrooms at first and increased by four, was all that the site could support. In 1964 the multi-purpose building was constructed. Four classrooms were later destroyed by fire (in 1985)." The school was built over a period of nine years; it closed in 1975.

On September 28, 1983 the Highline School District leased Lakeview Park to King County.

The Lakeview site was declared surplus to the educational needs of the Highline School District in March, 1997. The District then sought the sale or long-term lease of the property. Sunnydale Museum occupied the all-purpose room (as well as the Highline Historical Society Oral History Archives?) Highline School District Chronicle, p. 41.

On February 4, 2000 the city of Burien assumed conditions of the lease. Finding that parks and playfields were in short supply in this part of the city, it leased the southerly and easterly portions of the Lakeview site—3.3 acres—for park and recreational

purposes.

This park, on the grounds of the former Lakeview School, contains a basketball court, play equipment and walking trail.